individual about whom the record is maintained or unless pertinent to and within the scope of an authorized law enforcement activity.

- (5) Maintain and provide access to records of other agencies under NASA's control consistent with the regulations of this part.
- (b) Any system of records maintained by NASA which is in addition to or substantially different from a Governmentwide systems of records described in a systems notice published by another agency shall be regarded as a NASA system of records subject to the requirements of this part, and the NASA system notice shall include a reference to the system notice of the other agency.
- (c) NASA shall provide adequate advance notice to Congress and OMB of any proposal to establish a new system of records or alter any existing system of records as prescribed by OMB Circular No. A–130, appendix I.

## § 1212.602 Requirements for collecting information.

In collecting information for systems of records, the following requirements shall be met:

- (a) Information shall be collected to the greatest extent practicable directly from the subject individual when the information may result in adverse determinations about an individual's rights, benefits, and privileges under Federal programs. Exceptions to this policy may be made under certain circumstances, such as one of the following:
- (1) There is a need to verify the accuracy of the information supplied by an individual.
- (2) The information can only be obtained from a third party.
- (3) There is no risk that information collected from third parties, if inaccurate, could result in an adverse determination to the individual concerned.
- (4) Provisions are made to verify with the individual information collected from a third party.
- (b) Each individual who is asked to supply information shall be informed of the following:
- (1) The authority (whether granted by statute, or by Executive order of the

President) for requesting the information:

- (2) Whether disclosure is mandatory or voluntary:
- (3) The intended official use of the information:
- (4) The routine uses which may be made of the information, as published in the system notices;
- (5) The effects, if any, on the individual of not providing all or any part of the requested information.

## § 1212.603 Mailing lists.

NASA will not sell, rent, or otherwise disclose an individual's name and address to anyone, unless otherwise specifically authorized by law.

## §1212.604 Social security numbers.

- (a) It is unlawful for NASA to deny to individuals any rights, benefits, or privileges provided by law because of the individuals' refusal to disclose their social security numbers, except where:
- (1) The disclosure is required by law;
- (2) The disclosure is from a system of records in existence and operating before January 1, 1975, and was required under statute or regulation adopted before that date to verify the identity of the individual(s).
- (b) Any time individuals are requested to disclose their social security numbers, NASA shall indicate whether that disclosure is mandatory or voluntary, by what authority the numbers are requested, and what uses will be made of them.

## § 1212.605 Safeguarding information in systems of records.

- (a) Safeguards appropriate for a NASA system of records shall be developed by the system manager in a written plan approved by the Installation Security Officer.
- (b) When records or copies of records are distributed within NASA they shall be prominently identified as records protected under the Privacy Act and shall be subject to the same safeguard, retention, and disposition requirements applicable to the system of records.